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**STATE OF HAWAII
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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
WAYS AND MEANS**

**Monday, April 1, 2019
10:20 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 211**

**In consideration of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 115/SENATE RESOLUTION 85
REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO PRIORITIZE THE PLANTING OF FOUR
MILLION TREES ALONG STREETS AND ROADWAYS WITHIN THE NEXT FOUR
YEARS TO HELP ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE AND MAKE COMPLETE
STREETS STATEWIDE**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 115/Senate Resolution 85 requests that the Governor prioritize the planting of four million trees along streets and roadways within the next four years to help address climate change and make complete streets statewide. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports these measures.**

The Department and partners have documented a five percent loss in urban tree canopy in a five year period on O'ahu, our most populous island. This equates to a removal of over 76,000 trees. The Department strongly supports actions, such as this one, to reverse this trend statewide. Trees in urban and rural areas encourage safer streets (by slowing traffic), reduce urban heat island effect, improve stormwater runoff and erosion, improve air quality, and sequester carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these measures.

SUZANNE D. CASE
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SR-85

Submitted on: 3/30/2019 1:11:48 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Quinn	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please oppose SR85, unless you amend the bill to specify that the trees be planted in an area that is not water-intensive.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

Kihei

SR-85

Submitted on: 3/31/2019 9:17:39 AM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kanani Kai	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SR-85

Submitted on: 3/31/2019 7:42:08 AM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
donald erway	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SR-85

Submitted on: 3/31/2019 5:16:55 AM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jonathan Boyne	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Trees add beauty, reduce urban heat, improve stormwater runoff and erosion, improve air quality, and help fight global warming by sequestering carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Please support this bill.

LATE

SR-85

Submitted on: 3/31/2019 12:04:40 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John NAYLOR	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Yes to Millions of more trees!



LATE

To: The Senate Committee on Ways and Means
From: Sherry Pollack, Co-Founder, 350Hawaii.org
Date: Monday, 4/1/19

In support of SR 85

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Committee members,

I am Co-Founder of the Hawaii chapter of 350.org, the largest international organization dedicated to fighting climate change. On behalf of our 6,000 members and supporters, 350Hawaii.org **strongly supports SR 85.**

Trees add beauty, reduce urban heat, improve stormwater runoff and erosion, improve air quality, and help fight global warming by sequestering carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. All these things benefit everyone, making this measure a WIN:WIN for all.

We respectfully submit the following comment for your consideration. This measure should be amended to specify that trees selected for this project are native trees which are suited for the area and, in general, will require less precious water.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in **strong support** of this measure

Sherry Pollack
Co-Founder, 350Hawaii.org

LATE

SR-85

Submitted on: 3/31/2019 4:10:05 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Nandoskar	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Trees add beauty, reduce urban heat, improve stormwater runoff and erosion, improve air quality, and help fight global warming by sequestering carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Please support this bill.

LATE

SR-85

Submitted on: 3/31/2019 9:21:51 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ted Bohlen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SR-85

Submitted on: 3/31/2019 9:45:16 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
janice palma-glennie	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,**Please support [SR85](#).**

Planting trees is a time-honored way to beautify and protect our towns and cities without reliance upon fossil fuels. in fact, they help clean the air and provide the oxygen humans and other plants and animals need to survive and thrive.

mahalo for supporting this bill.**sincerely,****janice palma-glennie****kailua-kona**

Trees add beauty, reduce urban heat, improve stormwater runoff and erosion, improve air quality, and help fight global warming by sequestering carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Please support this bill.

LATE

SR-85

Submitted on: 4/1/2019 1:40:06 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2019 10:20:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nanea Lo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Hello,

Trees add beauty, reduce urban heat, improve stormwater runoff and erosion, improve air quality, and help fight global warming by sequestering carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Please support this bill.

me ke aloha 'Ä• ina,

Nanea Lo